

An Introduction to Madison County, Virginia

Background

Established in 1792 by an act of the Virginia General Assembly, Madison County was named for pro

The county contains 327 square miles of land mass, about one sixth of which falls in the Shenandoah N

Government

The county is governed by a five-member elected board of supervisors, a county administrator, five e

Supervisors are elected for four-year terms that are staggered with three in one election and two in the

The County Supervisors meet with the Planning Commission at 7:30 p.m. the first Wednesday of the m

The main county offices are located in the County Administration Center at the north end of Main Street

The county budget for fiscal year 2003-2004 is \$25,437,071, the lion's share of which is the public schoo

Members of the Board of Zoning Appeals are appointed by the judge of the Madison County Circuit Cou

Services and Utilities

The county operates a transfer station and recycling center located on Route 622, between Shelby and

Water and sewer service is provided to residents and businesses in and adjoining the Town of Madison

Electricity is provided to county residents by three utilities: Allgeheny Power, Rappahannock Electric Co

Law Enforcement and Emergency Services

Law enforcement is provided by a Sheriff, his deputies, and by state police assigned to Madison County.

Medical emergencies are handled by a volunteer Rescue Squad and a paid professional squad. The squad

A Volunteer Fire Company handles all fire emergencies. The new Fire Company building is located at the

(NOTE: All emergency calls for police, fire, or rescue assistance can go through the 24-hour Sheriff's Dispatch.)

Town of Madison

The Town of Madison is the County Seat and commercial center. It is located near the center of the county.

The town is governed by an elected Mayor and a four-person Town Council. The Town Office is located in the

Public Education

School division policy is developed by a five-person School Board elected at large.

The Board meets on the second Monday of the month at 7 p.m. (7:30 p.m. during daylight savings time).

Overall administration and supervision of the public school system rests with the Division Superintendent.

The Madison County Public School system operates five schools with a total enrollment of 1,832 students.

All schools are located in or near the Town of Madison.

Madison High School, grades 9-12, 610 students.

Madison Overview

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Wetsel Middle School, grades 6-8, 440 students.

Waverly Yowell Elementary, grades 4 & 5, 360 students.

Madison Primary, grades K-3, 385 students.